

Criterion-Referenced Tests (CRT) Policy

English Language Arts CRT

This CRT is a grade specific test. Students should take the test that corresponds to the grade in which they are enrolled. Example: 9th grade student takes the 9th grade CRT.

Math CRT

For elementary students, this CRT is grade specific. Students should take the test that corresponds to the grade in which they are enrolled. Example: 3rd grade student takes the 3rd grade math CRT.

For secondary students, this CRT is course specific. Students should take the CRT at the completion of the course. Example: Students enrolled in Pre-algebra should take the pre-algebra CRT.

Science CRT

For 4 – 6 grade students, this CRT is grade specific. Students should take the test that corresponds to the grade in which they are enrolled. Example: 5th grade student takes the 5th grade science CRT.

For secondary students, this CRT is course specific. Students should take the CRT at the completion of the course. Example: Students enrolled in biology should take the biology CRT.

There are a variety of science courses that are based on the same core curriculum.

Example: biology, human biology, AP biology and agricultural biology are all responsible to the same core curriculum. Therefore all students enrolled in these courses should take the biology CRT.

CRT Retakes

Students are not required to take the same CRT more than once. If a student takes two courses, two separate years (Chemistry, AP Chemistry) it is a local decision if the student is to retake the chemistry CRT.

For the purposes of U-PASS and NCLB, the first time a student takes a course for which there is an associated CRT, the student is required to take that associated CRT. The score/proficiency determination from CRTs will only be used from the first time the CRT was administered for a given course/grade. Students may take the same CRT (course/grade) again and that test would be scored by USOE, however, this score would be excluded from all U-PASS and NCLB calculations.

This policy applies to all grades/courses assessed by CRTs.